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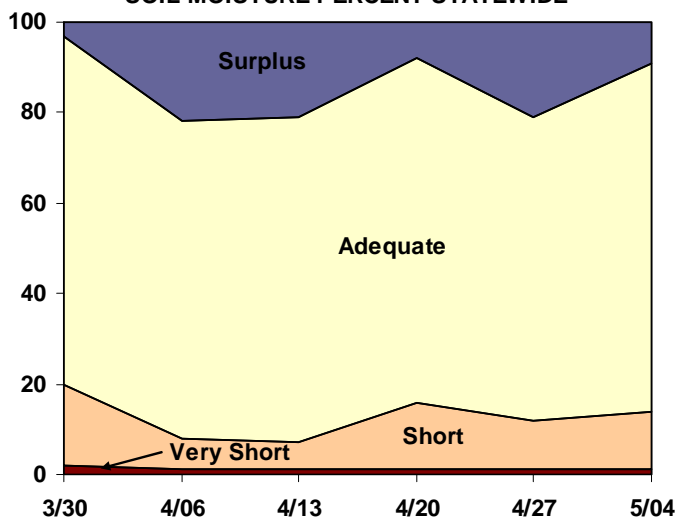
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 4, 2008

GENERAL: Most of North Carolina received rain this week with Aurora recording 2.62 inches. Average temperatures ranged between 51 to 66 degrees. Topsoil moisture in the mountain region is becoming dry while the coastal region is still drying up from the recent rain events. There were 5 days suitable for field work, compared to 4.4 the previous week. Statewide soil moisture levels are rated at 1% very short, 13% short, 77% adequate and 9% surplus. Activities during the week included the planting of corn, sorghum, cotton, flue-cured and burley tobacco, spreading of fertilizer and chemicals, and other spring planting preparations.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED:				
Corn	87	70	94	88
Cotton	13	N/A	31	30
Sorghum	17	10	29	14
Tobacco: Burley	22	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tobacco: Flue-cured	43	22	61	60
PHENOLOGICAL:				
Corn % Emerged	54	N/A	76	65
Wheat % Headed	90	66	82	75
HARVESTED:				
Hay 1st Cutting	16	N/A	24	12

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENT STATEWIDE



TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

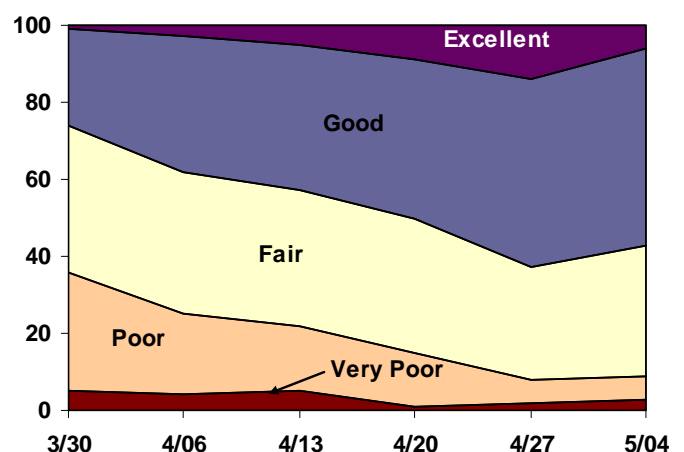
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
State	1	13	77	9
Mountain Region	4	22	71	3
Piedmont Region	1	18	71	10
Coastal Plain Region	0	1	87	12

CROP CONDITION PERCENT

	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	0	1	4	74	21
Oats	0	1	12	73	14
Rye	0	0	3	75	22
Wheat	0	1	12	65	22
Corn	0	1	21	68	10
Irish Potatoes	0	0	6	62	32
Pasture	3	6	34	51	6
Truck Crops	0	1	11	72	16

VP = Very Poor P = Poor F = Fair G = Good EX = Excellent

PASTURE CONDITION PERCENT STATEWIDE

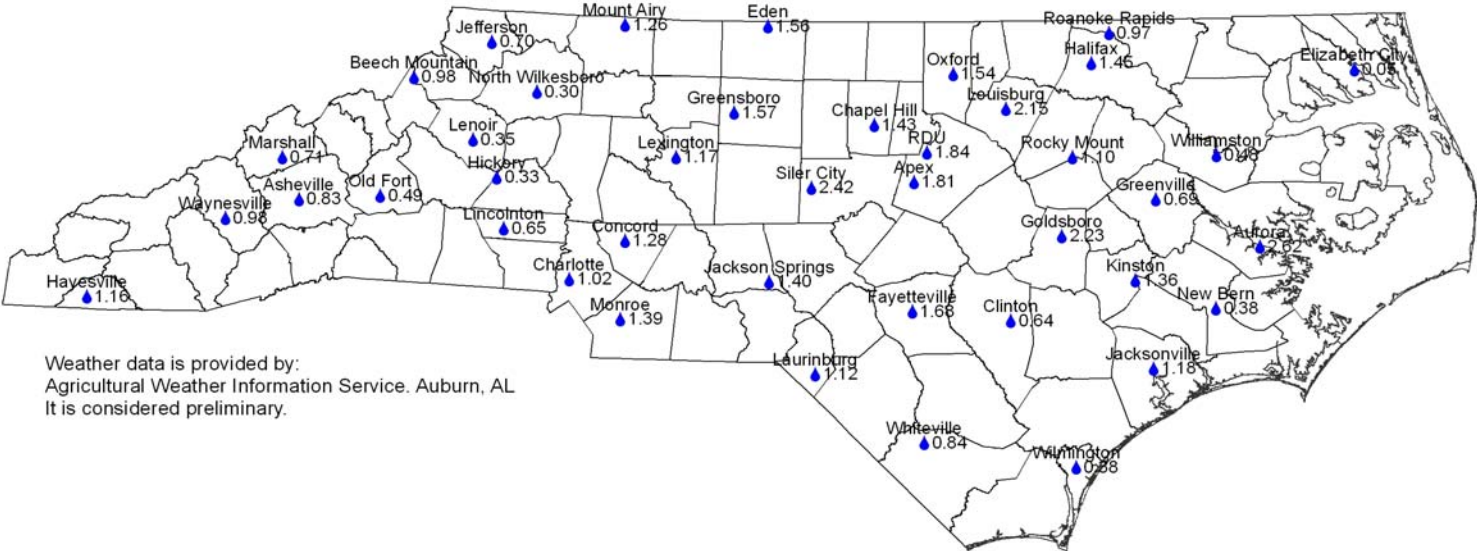


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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 3, 2008

Station Location	Precipitation (Inches) ¹				Temperature (Degrees F.) For This Week			
	Total This Week	Departure From Normal This Week	Total Since January 1, 2008	Departure From Normal Since January 1, 2008	High	Low	Average	Departure From Normal
Apex	1.81	0.98	13.41	-1.96	81	39	62	-3
Asheville	0.83	-0.05	13.70	-2.09	75	31	57	-3
Aurora	2.62	1.70	16.63	1.23	81	45	65	-1
Beech Mountain	0.98	-0.23	14.91	-4.91	72	20	51	2
Chapel Hill	1.43	0.55	15.76	0.08	82	38	62	-1
Charlotte	1.02	0.29	12.94	-2.25	80	37	62	-2
Clinton	0.64	-0.30	15.69	-0.28	83	41	64	-2
Concord	1.28	0.49	12.49	-2.95	82	37	62	-2
Eden	1.56	0.71	11.24	-3.53	80	35	59	-4
Elizabeth City	0.05	-0.84	8.92	-6.51	81	45	64	2
Fayetteville	1.68	0.98	15.28	0.27	80	41	63	-3
Goldsboro	2.23	1.38	16.66	0.44	81	41	63	-3
Greensboro	1.57	0.77	13.38	-0.25	80	38	62	0
Greenville	0.69	-0.18	15.72	-0.07	83	43	65	0
Halifax	1.45	0.57	18.44	3.23	83	42	65	3
Hayesville	1.16	0.34	18.75	3.44	80	35	58	-7
Hickory	0.33	-0.55	10.97	-5.71	79	34	60	-3
Jackson Springs	1.40	0.66	14.68	-0.97	81	36	61	-4
Jacksonville	1.18	0.22	17.46	0.81	80	44	65	-2
Jefferson	0.70	-0.31	13.02	-2.88	74	24	50	-6
Kinston	1.36	0.45	15.62	-0.48	81	43	64	-1
Laurinburg	1.12	0.44	15.81	0.13	87	38	64	-2
Lenoir	0.35	-0.58	12.70	-3.59	82	34	60	-3
Lexington	1.17	0.36	11.21	-4.42	82	31	60	-5
Lincolnton	0.65	-0.25	11.68	-4.31	81	31	61	-3
Louisburg	2.15	1.27	13.67	-1.67	81	37	61	0
Marshall	0.71	-0.11	11.81	-2.48	81	28	54	-4
Monroe	1.39	0.67	11.50	-4.88	79	38	62	-3
Mount Airy	1.26	0.30	11.80	-3.51	79	31	56	-6
New Bern	0.38	-0.51	14.14	-2.18	82	44	65	-2
North Wilkesboro	0.30	-0.62	12.15	-4.70	80	32	58	-2
Old Fort	0.49	-0.46	12.28	-5.05	78	30	56	-3
Oxford	1.54	0.73	13.55	-1.20	80	39	61	-2
Raleigh-Durham	1.84	1.10	13.87	-0.20	81	38	64	1
Roanoke Rapids	0.97	0.09	17.10	1.89	80	42	62	-1
Rocky Mount	1.10	0.29	13.38	-1.77	81	41	64	0
Siler City	2.42	1.52	14.66	-1.52	79	38	60	-2
Waynesville	0.98	0.09	15.76	-2.05	80	32	57	-2
Whiteville	0.84	-0.01	16.03	0.39	83	40	63	-2
Williamston	0.48	-0.40	15.25	-0.25	84	45	63	-1
Wilmington	0.38	-0.42	12.87	-2.03	81	42	66	-2

¹ Precipitation data considered preliminary



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